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The reply filed on 12/2/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): failure to elect a species. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant elected group II, claims 63-68. The restriction requirement further stated that in addition to the election of group I or II, election under 35 U.S.C. 101 to one of the following is required for group I or II. One patentably distinct and independent amino acid sequence from among SEQ ID NO: 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 or Sonic, Indian, or Desert hedgehog.


Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Roy Teller at (703) 305-4243. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 5:30 am to 2:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brenda Brumback, can be reached at (703) 306-3220. The fax number for the organization where this application is assigned is (703) 308-4242.

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